

Colonial and Foreign Church News.

WE are pleased to learn that many of the parishes have appointed delegates to the meeting appointed to take place in the month of July, to consider the *practicability* of a Synod of the Church in this diocese, and we have reason to believe the faithful laity will be well represented on the occasion. The *adeisability* of a Diocesan Synod in New Brunswick, is now conceded by numbers, who a little while ago were uninformed, and in some cases *misinformed*, as to its object and great importance. The admirable working of Synods in Australia, as well as in Canada and elsewhere, ought to convince our Church people that these have now become a necessity in every colonial diocese.

THE erection of a new church will be immediately begun, we hear, on the site where St. Paul's, (Valley), St. John, now stands. The present building will be removed, and services will be held in it while the new one is being built.

NOVA SCOTIA.—The Halifax Clerical Association appears to be a very useful institution promoting a good feeling among the clergy, and thus advancing the cause of the Church.

A BILL has passed both branches of the Legislature permitting the clergy of the United States, to officiate in the diocese of Nova Scotia, with the sanction of the Bishop.

THE next meeting of the Diocesan Synod in Nova Scotia, will be held on Wednesday 4th of July next. Several interesting and important matters will be brought forward for the consideration of the clergy and lay delegates.

ABOUT three months ago the Rev. C. F. Street, of New Brunswick, came to Pieton, by invitation of the Rev. W. Macaulay, to officiate as curate in the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, in this town. Since that time he and his family have been boarding at the North American hotel, where we believe everything was done to make them comfortable. The members of the Church, however, thinking it would be more agreeable to Mr. and Mrs. Street to have a house of their own, the course to be pursued was decided upon, and Mrs. McCraig, Mrs. Fairfield, and a few other ladies, took the matter in hand, and but a few days elapsed, ere the dwelling was furnished with all necessaries (furniture, provisions, &c.) and on Wednesday last Mr. Street and his family were invited to come and occupy; their surprise was great, on entering the house, to find a large number of friends present to welcome them; and the sociability of the meeting was much enhanced by all partaking of an excellent cup of coffee, cake, &c. Two or three hours were spent in social converse, and all took their leave, expressing a wish that many years of health and happiness might be vouchsafed to the Rev. gentleman and his family.

We think we speak the sentiments of the Ven. Rector when we say that Mr. Street has proved himself a valuable assistant to him, during the short time he has been here; and we know that he has made many warm friends amongst those with whom he has been acquainted.—*Pieton (C. W.) Times.*

MR. JAY COOK of Philadelphia, the well-known Banker, who has lately built a magnificent house on Chelton Hills, eight miles from the city, will it is stated, soon establish an Episcopal Theological Seminary, near his own residence. He will give to it twenty acres of ground, and sixty thousand dollars.

THE revered and beloved author of *The Christian Year* has gone to his rest. In a late English paper we find the simple announcement:

"On the 29th ult., at Bournemouth, the Rev. John Koble, vicar of Hursley, in his seventy-fourth year."

For even a small portion of the touching remarks called forth his death, we wish we could find room; but even the account of his funeral must stand over till next month. In another place will be found a few lines *In Memoriam* from one of his best friends in England.

THE Bishop of Limerick is reported to beyond the hope of recovery.

IN the March number of the *Oxford Undergraduates' Journal* it is stated that in the present parliament, there are 156 Oxford men, and 113 for the sister university of Cambridge.

A STATUE is to be erected to the memory of Lord Palmerston in Westminster Abbey. It would, we think, be far more suitably placed on the scenes of his own triumphs—within the Houses of Parliament or Westminster Hall—where all around would be in harmony with his memory. It is singular that the Duke of Wellington's monument—though voted by Parliament twelve years ago—has not been heard of since.